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## INTRODUCTION

Since the inception of the Environmental Assessment Act in 1976, thousands of undertakings have fallen under the jurisdiction of this legislation. Considering the current impetus for examining reforms to the environmental assessment process and in light of questions being directed from several fronts on the performance of environmental assessment reviews, the statistics on the following pages have been prepared.

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS STATISTICAL SUMMARY

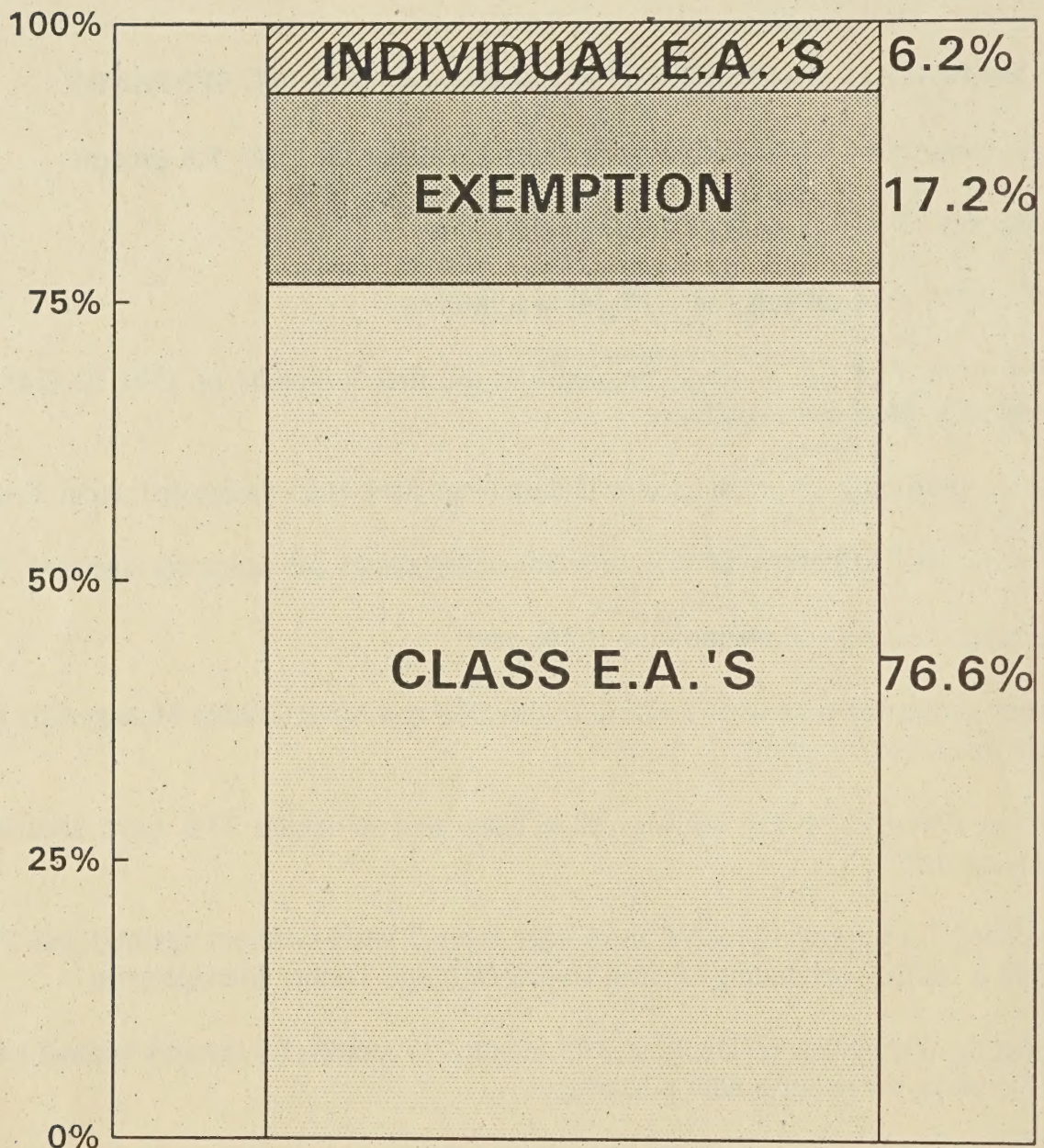
- the majority of EA undertakings are assessed under the Class EA process
- only 6% of all EA projects are Individual EAs
- of all EA undertakings, only 1% go to a hearing
- the number of EA reviews completed in the first 9 months of 1991-92 (14) exceeds previous three years combined
- since 1976 only 18 private sector undertakings have been designated under EAA
- the majority of designated private sector undertakings are waste management (72%)
- average hearing completion time is one year
- average hearing time when Ontario Hydro DSP and MNR Timber Management hearings are deleted is 9 months
- since 1984-85, 15 EA hearings have been held of which 33% have been in waste management
- existing EA approval process on average takes 2 years (without hearing) and 2½ years with a hearing (excluding Ontario Hydro DSP and Timber Management)
- existing average EA review time is 15 months, 17 months for reviews without a hearing, 12 months for reviews with a hearing

## DATA SOURCES

- EA undertakings by type derived from Ontario Hydro, MTRCA and the Ministry of Transportation
- EA hearings information derived from the EA Board
- Remainder statistical information compiled by EA Branch.



# E.A. ACT APPROVALS



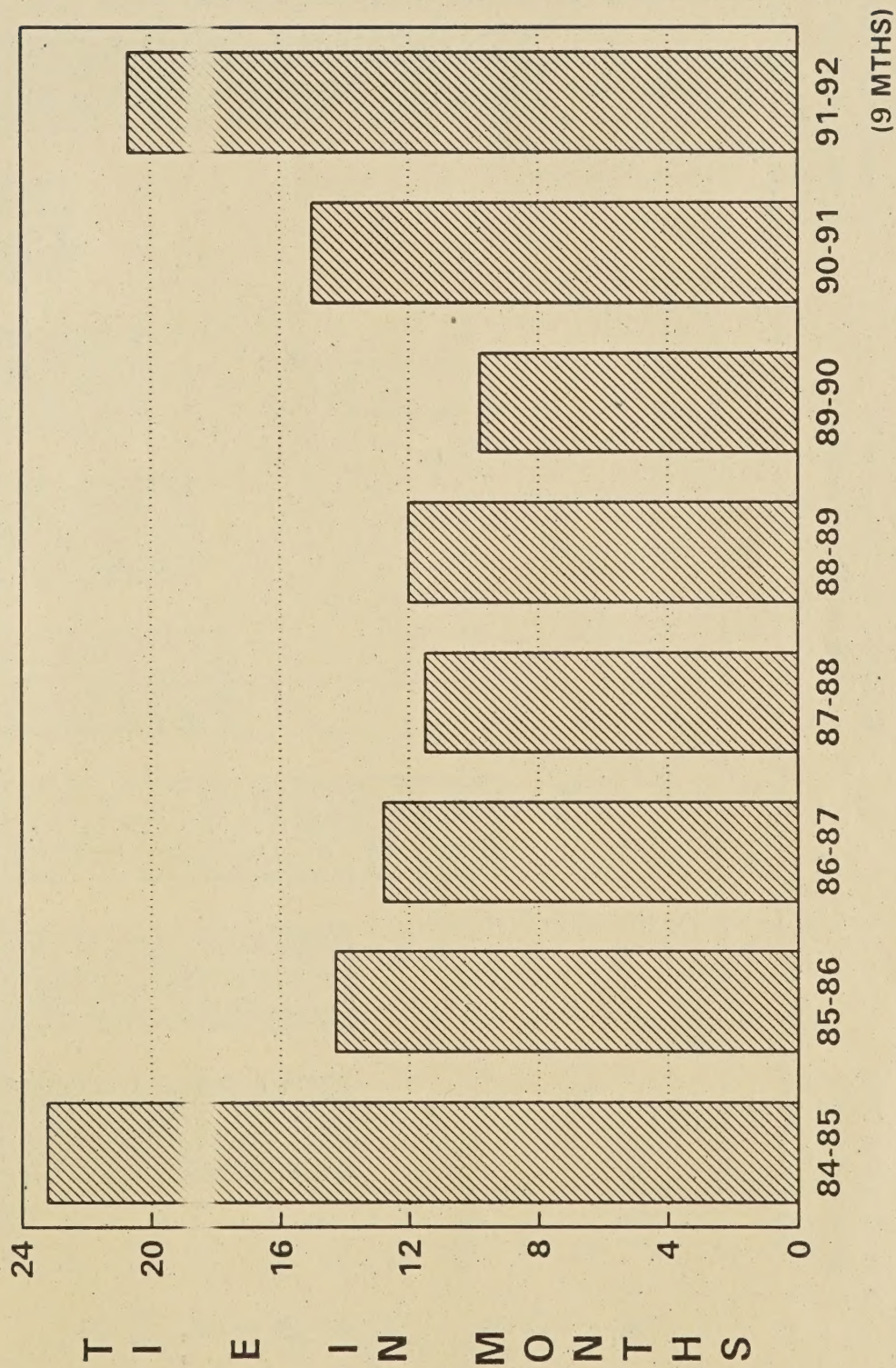
**NOTE: E.A. BOARD HEARINGS = 1%**

BASED UPON DATA FOR ONTARIO HYDRO (15 YRS),  
MTO (11 YRS) AND MTRCA (5 YRS)  
TOTAL PROJECTS FOR ABOVE NOTED  
PROPONENTS AND TIMEFRAMES = 957

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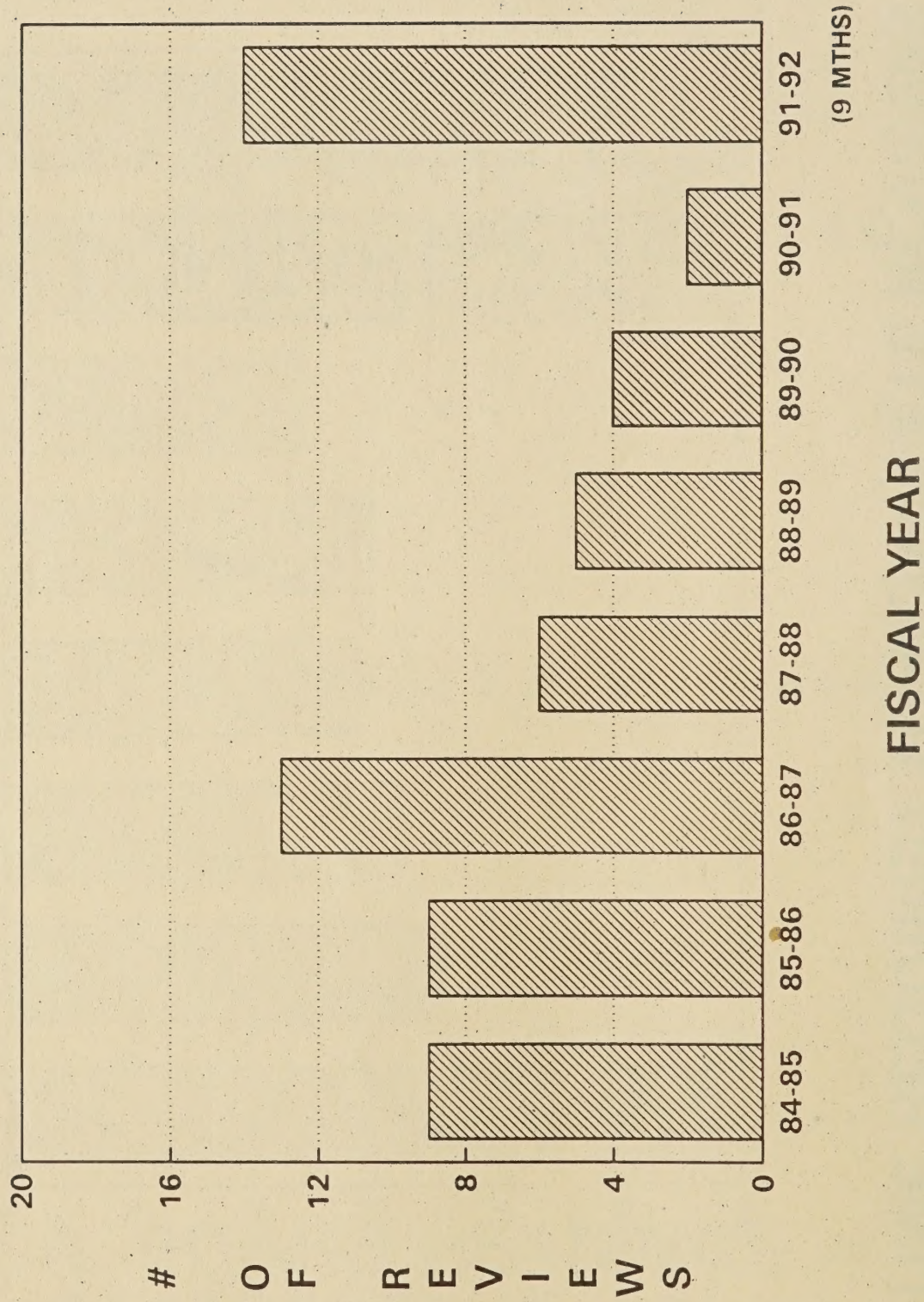
# TIME REQUIRED TO COMPLETE REVIEWS



FISCAL YEAR



# E.A. REVIEWS COMPLETED ANNUALLY

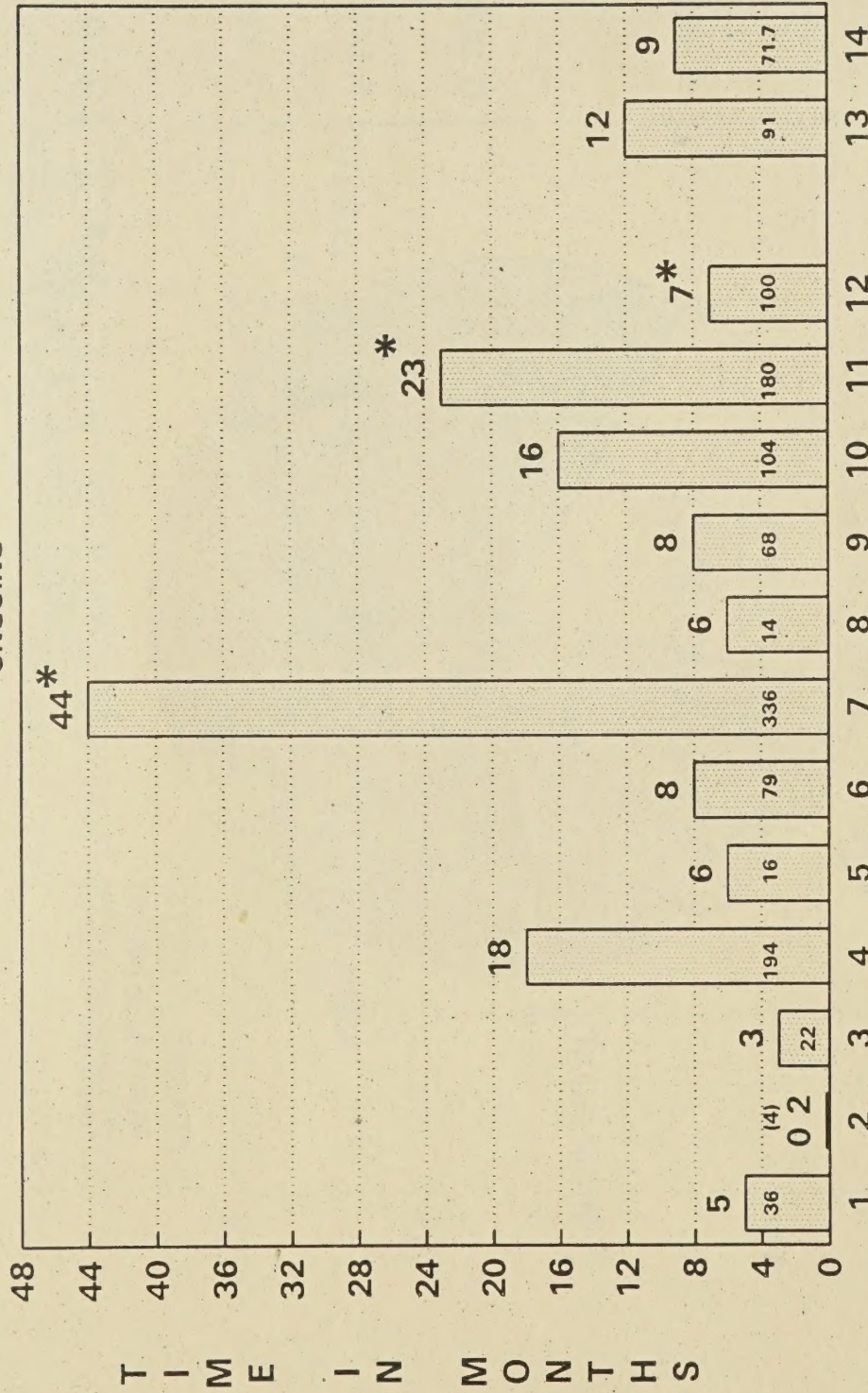




# TIME REQUIRED TO COMPLETE E.A. HEARINGS BY PROJECT

(TIME FROM HEARING COMMENCEMENT TO COMPLETION)

INSET = SITTING DAYS  
\* = ONGOING



1 ONT. HYDRO E. ONT. TRANS.

2 MTO HWY. 69

3 MTO HWY. 16

4 HALTON LANDFILL

5 FINCH AVE. EXT.

6 PETROSUN EFW

7 TIMBER MANAGEMENT

8 DERRY ROAD BY-PASS

9 N. SIMCOE LANDFILL

10 MEAFORD-ST. VINCENT

11 OWMC

12 ONT. HYDRO DSP

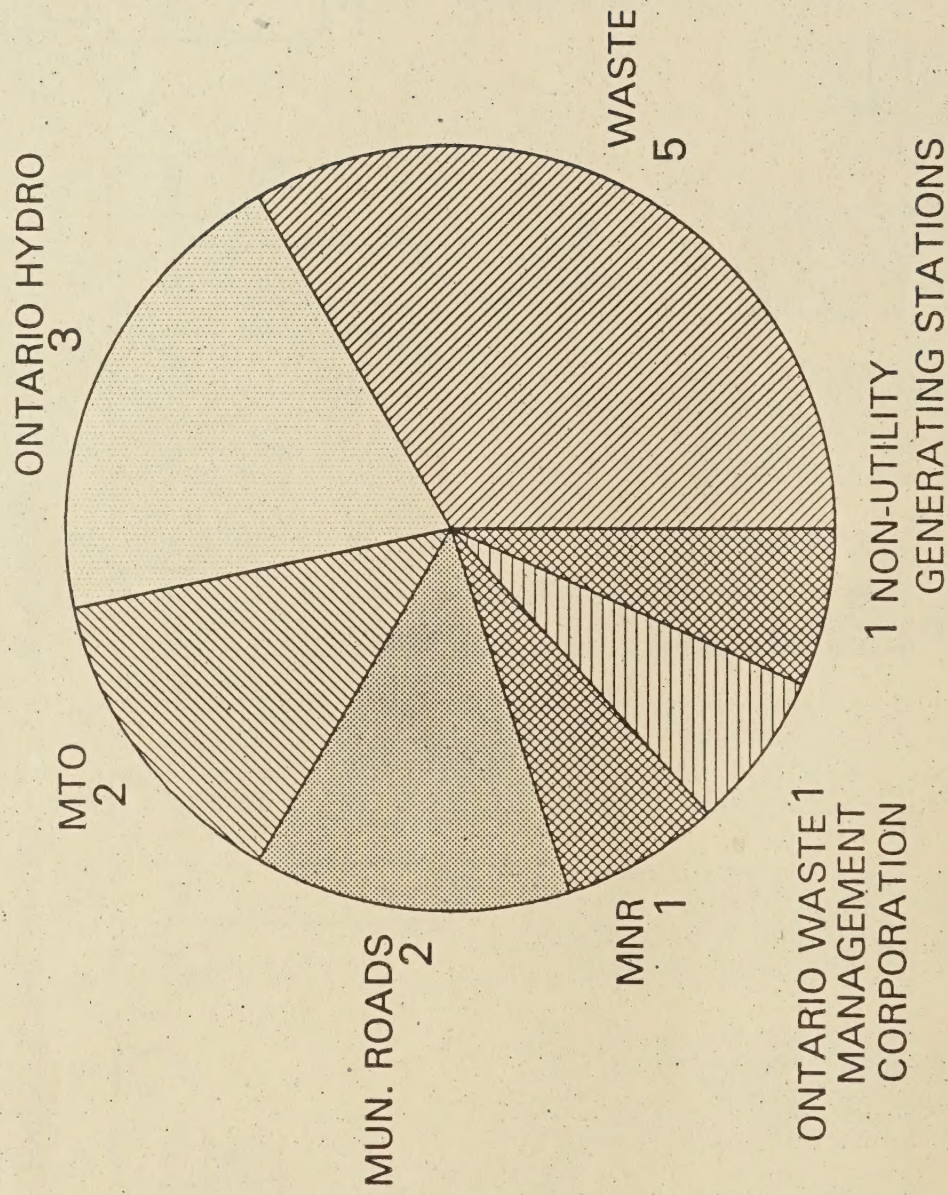
13 AVERAGE FOR ALL HEARINGS

14 AVERAGE WITHOUT TIMBER MANAGEMENT OR DSP

ONT. HYDRO S.W. ONT. TRANS. E.A. HEARING  
NOT INCLUDED - INCOMPLETE DATA



**DISTRIBUTION OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT HEARINGS  
BY PROPONENT, 1984/85 TO PRESENT**

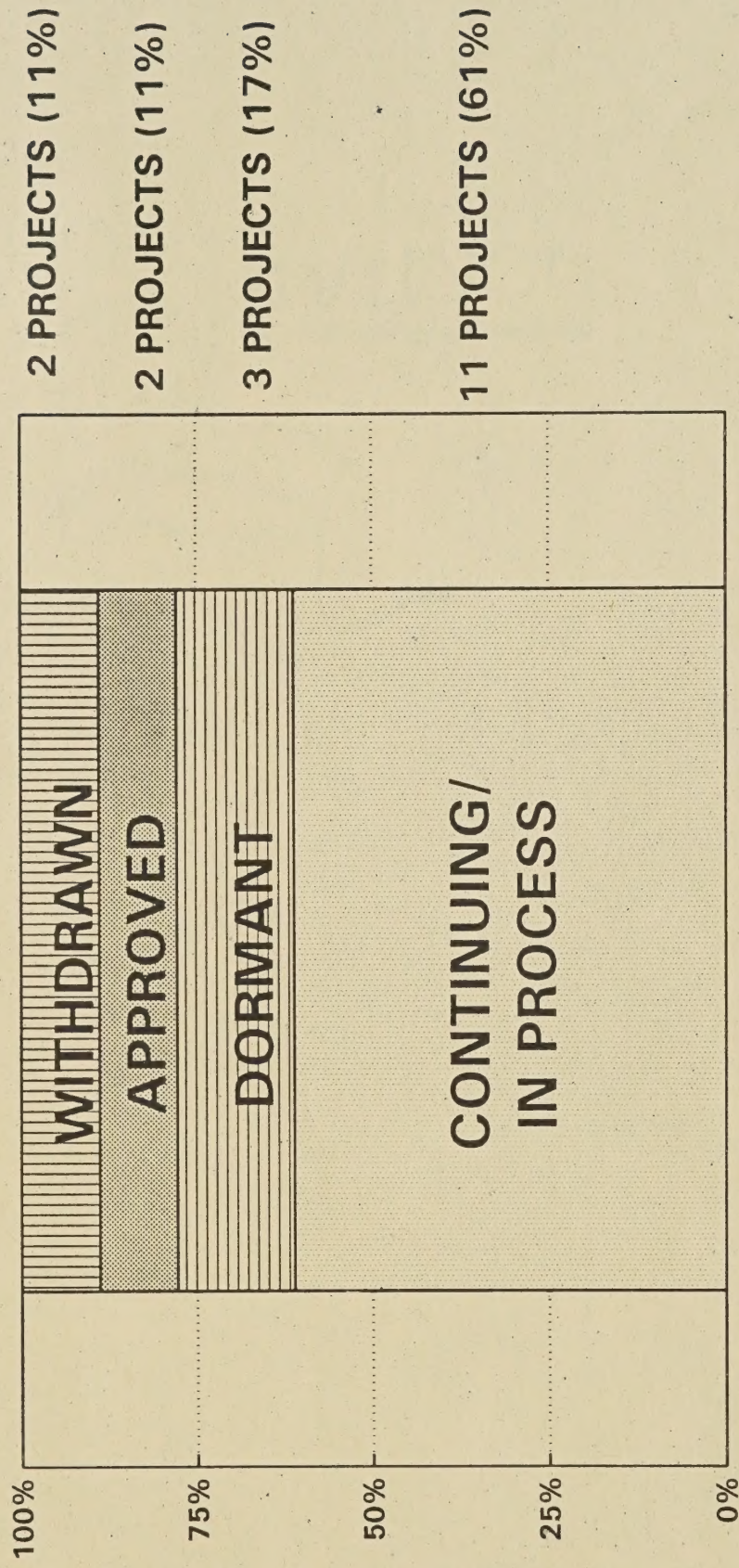


**TOTAL HEARINGS = 15 (INCLUDING ONGOING)**



# STATUS OF DESIGNATED PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS

- 18 PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED UNDER THE E.A. ACT, SINCE 1976





# DESIGNATED PRIVATE SECTOR PROJECTS BY TYPE, SINCE 1976

